GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:14
ANSWERED ON:18.02.2003
SWAJALDHARA SCHEME
NEDURUMALLI JANARDHANA REDDY;P.C. THOMAS

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Swajaldhara Scheme has been launched successfully;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the projects sanctioned thereunder, State-wise;

(c) the number of villages and schools expected to be covered under the scheme alongwith the amount allocated during Tenth Plan under the scheme, State-wise;

(d) whether some States have raised objections for implementation of the scheme;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(f) whether the Government have devised any monitoring machinery to ensure that the schemes launched are being implemented according to the time-frame; and

(g) if so, details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M. K. PATIL)

(a) to (g) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT AS REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 14 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18-2-2003

(a) & (b) Swajaldhara Scheme was launched on 25-12-2002 by Hon`ble Prime Minister. The key elements of the scheme are
(i) demand-driven and community participation approach;
(ii) panchayats/communities to plan, implement, operate, maintain and manage all drinking water schemes;
(iii) partial capital cost sharing by the communities upfront in cash;
(iv) full ownership of drinking water assets with Gram Panchayats; and
(v) full Operation and Maintenance (O&M) by the users/Panchayats.Gram Panchayats and Blocks adopting the reforms principles will be eligible for Swajaldhara projects. The projects approved state-wise till date is at Annex -I.

(c) Swajaldhara is to implemented throughout the country in all the partially covered and non-covered villages to provide at least 40 litres per capita day of water to the rural people whereas community participation is forth coming. This scheme is also applicable to the rural schools in the country which do not have potable water facility.

(d) & (e) All the States and Union Territories Ministers-in-charge of Rural Water Supplywelcomed the Swajaldhara during the National Conference of State Ministers held on 5th December 2002.

(f) & (g) As per the guidelines of Swajaldhara, the projects taken up should be completed within one year from the date of sanction. District Implementing Agency (Zila Parishad /District Water & Sanitation Mission) is responsible for supervision and monitoring.

Annex I to the reply to the Lok Sabha Starred Question No.14 as referred to in the Statement

S.No.	State/UT	Approved by NSSC
1	Uttar Pradesh	479
2	Andhra Pradesh	566
3	Orissa	309
4	Gujarat	30
5	Himachal Pradesh	89
6	M.P.	44
7	Maharashtra	786
8	Haryana	2

9	Tamil Nadu	238
10	West Bengal	5
11	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1
12	Daman & Diu	1

Total	2550

includes proposals for schools